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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Yoji IKAWA, et al.

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RESPONSE TO COMMUNICATION

ATTN: APPLICATION BRANCH Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Communication dated February 13, 2001, for which reply is due on or before March 13, 2001, wherein the Examiner requests the submission of a DOS version diskette containing the Sequence Listing and a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.181(e).

In response thereto, Applicants file simultaneously herewith a DOS version diskette containing the Sequence Listing (filed September 27, 2000) and Statement in Support of Submission, as requested.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number on any questions which might arise.

Respectfully submitted,

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